(d) whether Government have drawn any plan in this matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY) : (a) The production of raw silk during the last 3 years was as under :

Year	Production (in tonnes)
1989-90	12016
1990-91	12665
1991-92	11863

(b) to (d) There have been no exports of raw silk in the past three years. However, the export earnings from value added items of silk e.g. textiles, made-ups, readymade garments etc. having been going up steadily.

Closure of Textile Mills and its Processing Units

3570. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAN : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that a number of textile mills and its processing units have been closed because of stiff competition from organised mill sector;

(b) whether it is a fact that a number of people employed in these hand processing units have become unemployed; and

(c) if so, what remedial measures are proposed to be taken by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY) : (a) As on 31-1-93, 121 Cotton/Man-made Fibre Textile Mills, affecting 169852 workers are reportedly closed mainly due to strikes, labour troubles, lockouts and financial difficulties. As on 31st March, 1993, 5 (Five) textile processing units are reported to be closed, rendering 270 workers jobless.

(b) Some hand processing units are facing problems due to their inherent nature and small scale operations.

(c) Government have set up a Textile Workers Rehabilitation Fund Scheme to provide interim relief to the workers rendered jobless due to permanent/partial closure of a mill, which has been registered either with the Textile Commissioner or under the I (D&R) Act 1951.

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3571. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी :** क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने हैंक यार्न स्कीम तैयार कर ली है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसकी प्रमुख विशेषताएं क्या हैं ; और

(ग) इस योजना को कार्यान्वित करने के लिए सरकार ने क्या प्रयास किये हैं ?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जी० वेंकट स्वामी) : (क) से (ग) सरकार ने चालू वर्ष के दौरान अर्थात् वर्ष 1992-93 में कार्यान्वयन हेतु हथकरघा बुनकरों की मिल व गेट मूल्यों पर हैंक की आपूर्ति की एक योजना लागू की है । यह योजना राष्ट्रीय हथकरघा विकास निगम के माध्यम से कार्यान्वित की जा रही है । वर्ष 1992-93 के लिए 10 मिलियन किलोग्राम सूत का लक्ष्य रखा गया है । सरकार राष्ट्रीय हथकरघा विकास निगम को इस योजना के अन्तर्गत कुल सप्लाई किए गए सूत के मूल्य के 2 प्रतिशत की दर से राशि लौटाती है । जो यात्रा व्यय और ऊपरी खर्चों की प्रतिपूर्ति के लिए है ।